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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

George K. Shibata et al.

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one-month extension of time extending to July 1, 2002, the period for response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2002. A check for \$110 is enclosed. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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